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## RESIDENTIAL FIRE

## 2205 Parkhurst Court #2

**MEMPHIS, TN** - The Memphis Fire Department responded to an alarm of fire at 2205 Parkhurst Court, Friday, July 16, 2021 at 5:34 p.m. Upon arrival on the scene, firefighters reported smoke visible from the two-story wood frame apartments. Rescue

and Firefighting operations began immediately.

Sixteen (16) pieces of Fire/Rescue/EMS equipment and approximately thirty-nine (39) emergency response personnel ultimately responded to the call. Battalion Chief T. Gentry the commanding officer of this incident. The fire was brought under control at 5:51 p.m. There were no firefighter or civilian injuries.



It has been determined that the residence **did not have** a working smoke alarm. One unit sustained smoke, fire and water damage. Total damage is estimated at \$5,000.00 building and \$500.00 contents. The origin and cause of the fire was determined to be food left unattended on the stove in the kitchen. Red Cross provided assistance for one adult.

The Memphis Fire Department urges all citizens to maintain a working smoke alarm in their place of residence. Check smoke alarms once a month and change the battery when you change your clocks. City of Memphis residents may apply for a **free smoke alarm** by calling the Fire Museum of Memphis at (901) 636-5650 or apply on-line at: <a href="https://www.memphistn.gov/government/fire-department/free-smoke-alarm-application/">https://www.memphistn.gov/government/fire-department/free-smoke-alarm-application/</a>.

Always have a plan of escape in case there is a fire. Also remember that 9-1-1 is for emergencies only. For all other FIRE/EMS NON-EMERGENCY issues please dial 901-458-8281.